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CONSUMPTION OF UNHYGIENIC MEAT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

The steps taken by the Government to create awareness among the people regarding health hazards likely to be caused due to the consumption of unhygienic meat?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

To create consumer awareness among the people regarding health hazards likely to be caused due to the consumption of unhygienic meat, the following Pamphlets have been circulated to State Governments to give vide publicity:-

(1) Prevention of Food Adulteration and Consumer Awareness − Tips to Consumers − Directorate General of Health Services.

(2) Tips to Food Safety and Sound Diet − How to Avoid illnesses caused by unsafe food and Drink − Voluntary Organization in Interest of Consumer Education (VOICE)

(3) A Guide on Safe Food for Travellers − How to avoid illnesses by unsafe food and drink and what to do if you get diarrhea − Voluntary Organization in Interest of Consumer Education (VOICE).

(4) CII − Food Safety Tips for Housewives − jointly developed by Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Confederation of Indian Industry and Quality Council of India.

These are the general guidelines given to the Consumers for their awareness to take safe food products including meat and meat products.

(5) Under Kalyani Programme, captions on Food safety aspects are bing telecast on Doordarshan and its regional Kendras. These are on going activities.

This Ministry has also developed a "Food safety website" which is available in the Ministry's website www.mohfw.nic.in/pfa.htm.